Thursday, March 31, 2022

Capital Planning Meeting

Agenda

7:30 PM Call to Order

Minutes of Previous Meetings

7:35 PM Building Department – FY23 Requests and Five Year Capital Plan

8:00 PM Fire & Rescue Department - FY23 Request and Five Year Capital Plan

8:20 PM Planning Board – FY23 Request and Five Year Capital Plan

8:40 PM Stow TV - FY23 Request and Five Year Capital Plan

Other Business

Adjourn

Call to Order at: 7:38pm

Power lines were down in town, so several members were late.

Attendance:

Committee: Steve Jelinek, Ed DeLuca, Peter McManus, Missy Reed (non-voting)

Others Attending: Denise Dembkoski, John Benoit, Jesse Steadman, Jonathan Daisy, Kathleen Fisher, Frank Ramsbottom

Note - Zach Burns has resigned from the Select Board.

Minutes from Previous Meetings:

Feb 17 2022 Meeting Not discussed due to late start of meeting.

Building Department - FY23 Requests and Five Year Capital Plan

ARPA funding will cover the two FY23 items.

Feasibility study is looking at the water system, it has aged out and needs to be replaced. Looking at Pompo, as the local well needs a lot of treatment. There is a filtration system design, but that would also require a lot of testing and maintenance. What is the best approach?

The study will also look at water being supplied to the church.

Has the pomp water system been tested over time - that will be looked at as well as part of the study. A new well is in place at Pompo.

Study is done by Wright Pierce - April 8th is the due date for the study.

There will likely not be an article this year.

McManus- What is the current treatment at Pompo? - none is required.

FY24 - \$300K is for repairing the piping in the street. Cost assumes the entire system is replaced.

Dembkoski - The church is the largest consumer of water, if it stays we may need to run larger pipe, the goal is to get them off the system.

McManus - pipe run from Pompo is not included, right? - The cost of the pipe would be about \$1M but no filtrations. So there is a trade study that needs to be done.

DeLuca what determines the size of the pipe, is that a cost driver? The study will provide information of that.

FY24

Town Building Sprinkler Valves \$40K

Current ones are requiring maintenance - large cast iron pieces they are original to the building. Town Building Windows \$40K

48 windows are going to be replaced, needs more research on the costing. Could be moved out beyond 2024.

FY25

Town Building Standby Generator \$200k

A rental generator is an option.

Dembkoski the issue is that well water requires power have to send people home. Do we have a contract for quick turn around? Not clear? There are things that can be done is power is out for a long period of time there cloud based solutions for essential work. We have had to send people home 3 times in 18months.

Replacement vehicle - pickup truck small \$40K - Hybrid/Electric

Town Building & Pompo Security Cameras \$150K

Dembkoski - Security cameras would be added on the exterior buildings. Cost is for cameras and installation.

8:01 - Peter McManus out of the room

Discussion suspended.

8:06 - Peter M. Returned

\$25K for police floor to carpet tile from tile. Not an urgent matter.

Fire & Rescue Department – FY23 Request and Five Year Capital Plan

Automatic External Defibrillators ARPA

FY24

Rescue 16 purchase 2010 - have been able to operation both ambulances during COVID, many benefits, extending the life to 25 years if we have two. This is a cost effective for the life time 96K miles, 7K hrs,. The newer Rescue 17 (purchased in 2017) has 43K miles, 2K hrs on it. Cost of 2017 was \$264K and it was bare bones. \$320K it is an estimate. Could be a demo, fully set up put radios in it. We did this for Engine 12 in 2006 was a demo, cost savings allowed the purchase of pickup Demo can come into service sooner. Bolton recently purchased a demo ambulance.

FY25 - Engine 15 is from 2000, a 3rd pieces carries extra hose, pump replace runs well. We may go with a tanker instead of a pumper truck. Cheaper and worked

FY 26 2006 Forestry 18 used often but engine is hard to maintain, could be a simple build from stock.

FY 27 placeholders 2015 - Forestry 19 - used on a daily basis for a variety of activities. Car 20 - chiefs care could last longer, has 50k mi on it.

FY 28 Replacing bottles - only can be hydro tested for 15 yrs then they need to be replaced. 50% replaced each year for two years.

Discussion of out years

Engine 12 bought on demo runs well.

Engine 14 newest purchase in 2020, works well.

Turnout gear 25 sets purchased last year- replacements in the consent calendar.

Radio have a maintenance program and a replacement cycle. There may be an end date on the radios.

Have gotten small state grants for tools.

Planning Board - FY23 Request and Five Year Capital Plan

FY23

ARPA - Complete Streets Design and Plans* \$35,000

FY24

Town Center Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Improvement \$450,000

A lot of moving parts

What is town center? Town center park to center school, Crescent Street, Warren road to Hartley road

Studies are in process - concept plans, to build be able to get on the funding list of Transportation Improvement program. We need state and fed funds, need to 25% design, designs that are beyond the concept.

117 & 62 are town own roads, we will have to meet the state standards. DOT requires that the study at least consider a round-about.

What is the scope of work? ANS - milling and repaving, assessing the width of the road, space for turning lanes, side walks. Need to look at the Hartley road Crescent street intersection as well. How much can we fit within the right of way. Not expecting large reconstruction.

These funds are to bring the conscept up to the state level design.

When we get on the schedule how much funding comes from the state? We don't know, probably a matching funding, maybe save some Chapter 90 funds, Most of the funding is federal & state.

We could use a phased approach if there is no state funding.

Use the concept plans from a traffic engineer and have the library plans and the traffic study need to be synced up.

A one-way road - here have been no traffic studies on this yet.

FY25

Gleasondale Streetscapes Planning \$60,000

It is a high priority, the traffic safety advisor committee placed town center ahead of this project. If there is an investment in the mill, have a plan in place. The bridge has held things up. We know the DOT bridge plan, can we get the easments from the folks in Gleasondale to get the streetscape they are asking for.

Bridge completion is still not known. Maybe Fall 2022

Fy26

Complete Streets Design & Engineering \$50,000

FY27

Complete Streets Design & Engineering \$50,000

Stow TV - FY23 Request and Five Year Capital Plan

Relocating the office - thought maybe it would work for Town Hall, but that space won't work.

Not ready to move on anything - there is nothing on the warrant. Costs will move to next year.

Why move?

Don't want a huge studio, but would like a bit more space to get things more organized. A small configurable space that can support filming.

Trying to finalize with Comcast due date is October this year, the negations are in process, then we have to negate with Verizon.

Other business

Wednesday the 13-April Sustainable Stow presentation. Vin Antil on CPC and then voting. Only 6 capital items this year as ARPA funding is covering a lot.

Adjourn

8:57 DeLuca moved to adjourn, McManus 2nd the motion. Passed by unanimous vote.

Edward DeLuca, clerk